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Enclosed are:

- ☒ 37 Patent Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 16 Pages of Claims  
☒ 6 Sheet(s) of drawings. ☐ Informal ☒ Formal  
☒ 4 Declaration(s) and Power of Attorney  
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